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money is going to be sucked out of the economy, they don't have to pay taxes, so other taxpayers will make it up. This is not a bargain for the state. It is not a good policy decision for the Legislature. I'm well aware that these kind of discussions will cause people's eyes to glaze over, but I want the record to be crystal-clear of my position and I want the record to disclose what was discussed during this debate. And when people have the opportunity to peruse a written transcript at their leisure, to digest it after having chewed it fine, they may come to the conclusion that, had they paid attention, they may not have cast the vote that they did. And when we get into the hard wrangling, clanging, jangling fight that the budget bill will engender, what we do here this morning is going to come back to haunt us and be a part of that discussion. Not only do I see life as a seamless web, I see what the Legislature does during a session as a seamless web. Because something was done on the first day of the session does not mean it will not have an impact on what we do on the ninetieth day or on intervening days. I pay attention and mark what things are happening. That term "mark twain"...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...had to do with measuring the amount of water there is, where you're going to try to get a flatboat or some other watercraft to go, and when you dropped it they would say "mark twain." I guess they'd say "mark one," "mark twain," "mark thrice," or whatever. Well, I'm making a mark here today and I hope that my colleagues will think very long and hard at what Senator Jensen is asking with this bill, and I hope you will not vote to advance it. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Did you wish to do anything, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I want to withdraw that motion.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. Back to discussion of LB 107. There are no further lights on. Senator Jensen, you're recognized to close on the bill, if you care to.